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failure to distinguish between promises for the sole benefit of a third person and those cases where the primary object is to discharge an obligation of the promisee. See 15 HARV. L. REV. 767. So § 460, dealing with anticipatory breach, is objectionable in that it only gives one half the story, namely, the side in favor of the doctrine, when as a matter of fact there is strong support for the opposing view. See the collection of cases 14 HARV. L. REV. 433, note 5. Apart from these defects of substance, a fault of form which detracts from the general excellence of the book, is the number of typographical errors scattered throughout it. A few mistakes of this kind may be overlooked, but a work which displays more than its share suggests an almost unpardonable negligence in proofreading.

On the other hand, to point out some of the salient points of excellence, the author's treatment of the Statute of Frauds is admirably concise and accurate. In §§ 128-160 his dealing with the law of persons in its relation to contracts is clear and thorough. So his discussion of the law as applied to wagering contracts and contracts of insurance is good. The arrangement of the book, which is closely allied to that adopted by Page, makes a commendably logical presentation of the subject, treating first of the various essentials to the formation of a contract, and then of the legal and equitable remedies available when the contract relation has been established.

G. H. F., JR.

A MANUAL RELATING TO THE FORMATION AND MANAGEMENT OF MERCANTILE AND MANUFACTURING CORPORATIONS, with Forms. A Book of Massachusetts Law. By George F. Tucker. Second Edition, Revised, including Revised Laws, Statutes of 1903-1905, and Massachusetts Reports, Vol. 187. Boston: Little, Brown, and Company. 1905. pp. xxvii, 401. 8vo.

This book, as its title implies, is not a treatise, but a book for practical, everyday use by the practicing lawyer, the business man, the investor, or the corporation official who desires to know what the law is and how to act in a given situation. It is gratifying to be able to say that there is an adequate index, a convenience which is none too frequently provided, though indispensable in a book intended for constant use. The changes that have come about in corporation law since the appearance of the first edition, in 1887, make apparent the need for this new edition. Like others of Mr. Tucker's works, the present volume is a book of Massachusetts law; and while not so elaborate as Mr. Dill's work on the New Jersey corporation law, it is a book that will be distinctly serviceable to Massachusetts lawyers. The author has very wisely included forms, and wisely, too, has not set them apart in an appendix, but has worked them into their appropriate places in the text. To make the forms readily available, a separate index of them has been made.

The type, paper, and binding are excellent, but it would have been better to have subdivided the text more often, or to have indicated divisions by headings or spacing. There being no variation of type, and no spacing, it is difficult for the eye to find at once the particular reference obtained by use of the index.

S. H. E. F.

THE AMERICAN JUDICIARY. By Simeon E. Baldwin. New York: The Century Co. 1905. pp. xiii, 403. 8vo.

Within the compass of three hundred and eighty-five small pages, Judge Baldwin has succeeded in condensing a treatise upon the American judicial system. As the work was written for the American State Series, the purpose of which is to interest the general public and the elementary student by popular descriptions of our governmental organization, the author has not attempted to do more than state clearly the nature and structure of the judicial branch of the government. For this reason, the book contains little of profit to the advanced student or the lawyer.

- AN ESSAY ON THE PRINCIPLES OF CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE**, illustrated by Numerous Cases. By the late William Wills. Edited by his son, Sir Alfred Wills. Fifth English Edition (1902). With American Notes by George E. Beers and Arthur L. Corbin. Boston, Mass.: The Book Company. 1905. pp. xii, 448. 8vo.
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- INTERFERENCE IN TRADE**. A Collection of Cases on Strikes, Boycotts, etc., with Notes. By Wm. Draper Lewis. Philadelphia: International Printing Co. 1905. pp. 96. 8vo.
- THE PRINCIPLES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW OF THE UNITED STATES**. By Frank J. Goodnow. New York and London: G. P. Putnam's Sons. 1905. pp. xxvii, 480. 8vo.
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